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# **UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL**

(For new non-provisional applications under 37 CFR § 1.53(b))

Continuing Application: Continuation	of prior application No.: 09/559,686		
Inventor(s) Clois E. Powell	Filed: April 27, 2000		
Title: PROCESS FOR TREATING	Examiner: K Sanders		
SMECTITE CLAYS TO FACILITATE	Group/Art Unit: 1714		
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2. Specification

 $\underline{7}$  pages of specification;  $\underline{2}$  pages of claims (claims 1-9),  $\underline{1}$  page of abstract

3. Drawings

Informal Figures 1-8 on 8 sheets

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35 U.S.C. §§ 119(a)-(d)				
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17. Request and Certification Under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i)				
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